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Field Crops

Cotton harvest was 30 percent complete, 1 percentage point ahead of last year, but 8 percentage points behind the five-year average. The cotton crop condition continues to be rated mostly fair to excellent, depending on location. Arizona's alfalfa condition was rated in fair to excellent condition. Harvesting occurred on over three-quarters of the alfalfa acreage across the State.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Central Arizona growers had no movement last week. Western Arizona growers shipped cantaloupes, honeydews, and mixed melons last week.

Range and Pasture

Rangeland conditions are dry across the State, with temperatures starting to cool down. Range and Pastures were rated in mostly very poor to good condition, depending on location.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>- Percent -</i>				
Alfalfa	6	5	22	47	20
Range and Pasture	40	9	21	28	2
Cotton	0	1	21	60	18

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	<i>- Percent -</i>			
Cotton				
• Harvested	30	26	29	38

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly above normal across the State for the week ending October 27, 2013, ranging from 5 degrees below normal at Parker to 6 degrees above normal at Phoenix and Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 95 degrees recorded at Phoenix and Coolidge. The lowest reading was 19 degrees at the Grand Canyon. Two of the twenty-

two weather stations recorded precipitation last week. Saint John's received the least precipitation at 0.05 inches and Canyon de Chelley received the most at 0.20 inches. Thirteen of the 22 stations have received more than 75 percent of normal precipitation to date.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
October 21, 2013 - October 27, 2013								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	65	1	87	42	0.00	7.01	-0.95	88
Buckeye	70	2	91	46	0.00	5.34	-0.58	90
Bullhead City	70	-2	91	47	0.00	3.38	-1.45	70
Canyon De Chelly	49	-3	70	23	0.20	6.91	-1.01	87
Coolidge	68	2	95	39	0.00	4.92	-0.93	84
Douglas	61	1	85	29	0.00	16.05	4.37	137
Flagstaff	46	2	67	23	0.00	21.24	3.01	117
Grand Canyon	46	5	68	19	0.00	10.63	-5.83	65
Kingman	62	2	84	36	0.00	5.96	-1.96	75
Maricopa	68	0	93	42	0.00	3.97	-1.62	71
Paloma	70	2	94	44	0.00	3.63	-1.28	74
Parker	66	-5	92	40	0.00	2.01	-1.12	64
Payson	56	2	77	32	0.00	19.46	1.73	110
Phoenix	77	6	95	59	0.00	5.60	-0.32	95
Prescott	57	6	77	35	0.00	10.71	-5.59	66
Roll	69	-1	93	44	0.00	2.28	-0.18	93
Safford	64	3	88	36	0.00	5.48	-2.60	68
St. Johns	52	0	75	26	0.05	6.85	-2.98	70
Tucson	71	5	92	51	0.00	4.65	-5.51	46
Willcox	61	4	87	34	0.00	10.56	-0.34	97
Winslow	53	0	76	28	0.00	6.89	0.18	103
Yuma	76	4	94	58	0.00	1.86	-0.60	76
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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